



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Brian C. Smith  
Assignee: TippingPoint Technologies, Inc.  
Title: System and Method for Classifying Network Packets with Packet Content  
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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. BOX 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a one (1) month extension of time within which to respond to the November 1, 2006, outstanding Office Action, such extension allowing the undersigned until March 1, 2006, to respond.

A check is enclosed to cover the fee for the requested extension of time. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502264.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on March 1, 2006.

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Respectfully submitted,

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